

Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, United States Senate, or (6) for the payment of Senate Recording Photographic Services, or (7) for payment of franked mail cost by the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, United States Senate.

SEC. 5. There are authorized such sums as may be necessary for agency contributions related to the compensation of employees of the committee from March 1, 2003, through September 30, 2003, and October 1, 2003, through September 30, 2004, and October 1, 2004, through February 28, 2005, to be paid from the Appropriations account for "Expenses of Inquiries and Investigations".

SENATE RESOLUTION 56—AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURES BY THE COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET

Mr. NICKLES submitted the following resolution; from the Committee on the Budget; which was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration:

S. RES. 56

Resolved, That, in carrying out its powers, duties, and functions under the Standing Rules of the Senate, in accordance with its jurisdiction under rule XXV of such Rules, including holding hearings, reporting such hearings, and making investigations as authorized by paragraphs 1 and 8 of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the Committee on the Budget is authorized from March 1, 2003, through September 30, 2003; October 1, 2003, through September 30, 2004; and October 1, 2004, through February 28, 2005, in its discretion (1) to make expenditures from the contingent fund of the Senate, (2) to employ personnel, and (3) with the prior consent of the Government department or agency concerned and the Committee on Rules and Administration, to use on a reimbursable or nonreimbursable basis the services of personnel of any such department or agency.

SEC. 2. (a) The expenses of the committee for the period March 1, 2003, through September 30, 2003, under this resolution shall not exceed \$3,136,108, of which amount (1) not to exceed \$40,000 may be expended for the procurement of the services of individual consultants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946), and (2) not to exceed \$4,000 may be expended for the training of the professional staff of such committee (under procedures specified by section 202(j) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946).

(b) For the period October 1, 2003, through September 30, 2004, expenses of the committee under this resolution shall not exceed \$5,522,410, of which amount (1) not to exceed \$40,000 may be expended for the procurement of the services of individual consultants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946), and (2) not to exceed \$4,000 may be expended for the training of the professional staff of such committee (under procedures specified by section 202(j) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946).

(c) For the period October 1, 2004, through February 28, 2005, expenses of the committee under this resolution shall not exceed \$2,355,010, of which amount (1) not to exceed \$40,000 may be expended for the procurement of the services of individual consultants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946), and (2) not to exceed \$4,000 may be expended for the training of the professional staff of such committee (under procedures specified by section 202(j) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946).

SEC. 3. The committee shall report its findings, together with such recommendations for legislation as it deems advisable, to the Senate at the earliest practicable date, but not later than February 28, 2005, respectively.

SEC. 4. Expenses of the committee under this resolution shall be paid from the contingent fund of the Senate upon vouchers approved by the chairman of the committee, except that vouchers shall not be required (1) for the disbursement of salaries of employees paid at an annual rate, or (2) for the payment of telecommunications provided by the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, United States Senate, or (3) for the payment of stationery supplies purchased through the Keeper of the Stationery, United States Senate, or (4) for payments to the Postmaster, United States Senate, or (5) for the payment of metered charges on copying equipment provided by the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, United States Senate, or (6) for the payment of Senate Recording and Photographic Services, or (7) for payment of franked and mass mail costs by the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, United States Senate.

SEC. 5. There are authorized such sums as may be necessary for agency contributions related to the compensation of employees of the committee from March 1, 2003, through September 30, 2003; October 1, 2003 through September 30, 2004; and October 1, 2004, through February 28, 2005, to be paid from the Appropriations account for "Expenses of Inquiries and Investigations".

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, February 12, 2003, at 9:30 a.m., in open and closed session to receive testimony on current and future worldwide threats to the National Security of the United States.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and transportation and the House Subcommittee on Science and Space be authorized to meet on Wednesday, February 12, 2003, at 9:30 a.m. on the *Challenger* Space Shuttle in Russell SR-325.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet on Wednesday, February 12, 2003 at 9:30 a.m. to conduct a business meeting regarding S. 195, Underground Storage Tank Compliance Act of 2003; Several Committee Resolutions on GSA Prospectuses; and Committee Funding Resolution.

The meeting will be held in SD 406.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on

Finance be authorized to meet during the session on Wednesday, February 12, 2003, at 9:30 a.m., to hear testimony on Examination of Proposals for Economic Growth and Job Creation: Incentives for Investment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, February 12, 2003 at 9:30 a.m. to hold a Hearing on The Reconstruction of Afghanistan: An Update.

AGENDA

Witnesses: Panel 1: The Hon. David T. Johnson, Coordinator for Afghanistan Assistance, Department of State, Washington, DC.

The Hon. Dr. Peter W. Rodman, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, Department of Defense, Washington, DC.

Panel 2: The Hon. Ishaq Shahryar, Ambassador of Afghanistan to the United States, Washington, DC.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet in Executive Session during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, February 12, 2003.

The following agenda will be considered:

AGENDA

Adopting sub-committee memberships
Adopting committee rules
S.____, Keeping Children and Families Safe Act of 2003 (CAPTA reauthorization)
S.____, NIH Foundation
S. 239, Trauma Care
S.____, Birth Defects
S.____, Animal Drug User Fee Act

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet on Wednesday, February 12, 2003, at 10:30 a.m. in Room 485 of the Russell Senate Office Building to conduct a CONFIRMATION HEARING on the President's nomination of Mr. Ross O. Swimmer to be Special Trustee for American Indians at the U.S. Department of the Interior.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a Judicial Nominations hearing on Wednesday, February 12, 2003 in Dirksen Room 226 at 9:30 a.m.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

PANEL I

The Honorable Richard C. Shelby United States Senator (R-AL); The Honorable Jeff Sessions United States Senator (R-AL); The

Honorable Ben Nighthorse Campbell United States Senator (R-CO); The Honorable Wayne Allard United States Senator (R-CO); The Honorable George F. Allen United States Senator (R-VA); The Honorable Lamar Alexander United States Senator (R-TN); and The Honorable Chris Cannon United States Representative (R-UT).

PANEL II

Timothy M. Tymkovich to be United Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit

PANEL III

J. Daniel Breen to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee; William H. Steele to be U.S. District Judge for

the Southern District of Alabama; Thomas A. Varlan to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee; Timothy C. Stanceu to be a Judge of the U.S. Court of International Trade; and Marian Blank Horn to be a Judge of the U.S. Court of Federal Claims.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OCEANS, ATMOSPHERE, AND FISHERIES

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, and Fisheries be authorized to meet on Thursday, February 12, 2003, at 2:30 pm on

the Coast Guard transition to Homeland Security.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mrs. CLINTON. I ask unanimous consent that Robyn Rimmer, a legal fellow in my office, be granted the privilege of the floor for this debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.